

CITY OF EAST WENATCHEE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

FILE #:	ZTA2023-01
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PROPONENT: City of East Wenatchee

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Amend EWMC 17.24.030 regarding fencing for pools, 17.72.190

Accessory Dwelling Units, and 19.11 Definitions.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: East Wenatchee City Limits

LEAD AGENCY: City of East Wenatchee

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21.C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this DNS.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by October 20, 2023.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: <u>Curtis M Lillquist</u>, <u>AICP</u>
POSITION TITLE: <u>Community Development Director</u>

CONTACT PERSON: Curtis M Lillquist, AICP

POSITION TITLE: Community Development Director

ADDRESS: 271 9th Street NE, East Wenatchee WA 98802

DATE: October 6, 2023 SIGNATURE

SEPA¹ Environmental Checklist

Purpose of checklist

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for lead agencies

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B, plus the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions (Part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in "Part B: Environmental Elements" that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

¹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/Checklist-guidance

A.Background

Find help answering background questions²

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

Amendments to the East Wenatchee Municipal Code. 17.24.030(F) pool fencing, 17.72.190 Accessory Dwelling Units

2. Name of applicant:

City of East Wenatchee

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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4. Date checklist prepared:

10/2/2023

5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of East Wenatchee

6. Proposed timing of schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

60-day notice to state – 10/4/2023 Planning Commission Hearing – Dec 2023 City Council meeting for adoption – Jan 2023

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

No

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

None known at this time.

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

None known. Applications determined to be complete prior to adoption of revisions would be processed under the terms of the Code in effect at the time of complete application.

² https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-A-Background

- 10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.
 - Adoption by City Council.
- 11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

Amend the following City of East Wenatchee Municipal Code:

Title 17.24.030(F) Amend to remove mandatory pool fence requirement allowing the International Building Code to govern.

EWMC 17.72.190 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU), EWMC 19.11 Definitions. Amendments to update the ADU Code.

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

Within East Wenatchee City Limits.

B.Environmental Elements

1. Earth

Find help answering earth questions³

a. General description of the site:

Circle or highlight one: Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

N/A

³ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them, and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

The proposed amendments apply to all areas where pools and accessory dwellings are permitted which includes varying topographic features, soil types and slopes.

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

N/A

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

This is a nonproject action and no filling, grading, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed.

f. Could erosion occur because of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

This is a nonproject action and no clearing or construction will occur as a result of the proposed amendments.

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

This is a nonproject action and no construction will occur as a result of the proposed amendments.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any.

Existing standards, codes and laws would be applied to mitigate impacts.

2. Air

Find help answering air questions⁴

a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

This is a nonproject action and no construction, operation or maintenance is expected to increase as a result of the proposed amendments.

⁴ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-Air

b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

This is a nonproject action and no off-site emissions or odor is expected to increase as a result of the proposed amendments.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

N/A

3. Water

Find help answering water questions⁵

a. Surface:

Find help answering surface water questions⁶

 Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

N/A

2. Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.

This is a nonproject action and will not result in any work over, in or adjacent (within 200 ft.) of any surface waters.

3. Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

This is a nonproject action and will not require fill or dredge material.

4. Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

This is a nonproject action and will not require any surface water withdrawls or diversions.

5. Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

The proposal covers all areas within the city which does have areas within a 100-year flood plain. However, this is a nonproject action which will not have any activities within a floodplain.

⁵ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water

⁶ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Surface-water

6. Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

This is a nonproject action and will not require any surface water discharges.

b. Ground:

Find help answering ground water questions⁷

1. Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

This is a nonproject action and will not require any groundwater to be withdrawn.

2. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals...; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

This is a nonproject action and will not require any material to be discharged.

- c. Water Runoff (including stormwater):
 - 1. Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

This is a nonproject action that will not generate any stormwater.

2. Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

This is a nonproject action and not specific to a particular property in the City of East Wenatchee.

3. Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

This is a nonproject action and not specific to a particular property in the City of East Wenatchee.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

N/A

⁷ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Groundwater

4. Plants

Find help answering plants questions

a.	Check the types of vegetation found on the site:
	\square deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
	\square evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
	□ shrubs
	□ grass
	□ pasture
	□ crop or grain
	☐ orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.
	\square wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
	\square water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
	☐ other types of vegetation
	The proposed amendments apply to all areas in the City where a pool or accessory dwelling unit is permitted which includes varying types of vegetation.
b.	What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?
	This is a nonproject action and will not require any vegetation to be removed.
c.	List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.
	This is a nonproject action and could apply to any property in the city where pools and accessory dwelling units are permitted.
d.	Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any.
	This is a nonproject action and does not include proposed landscaping.
e.	List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.
	This is a nonproject action which applies to areas with varying types of vegetation.
5. Ar	nimals
Find h	elp answering animal questions ⁸
a.	List any birds and other animals that have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site.
	Examples include:

 $^{^{8}\} https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-5-Animals$

- Birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:
- Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:
- Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:

The proposed amendments apply to all areas in the city limits where pools and accessory dwelling units are permitted which have varying species of birds, mammals and fish.

b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

This is a nonproject action which applies to areas with varying species of birds, mammals and fish.

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

This is a nonproject action which applies to areas.

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any.

Existing standards, code and laws would be applied to mitigate impacts.

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

The proposed amendments apply to any area within the city that permit pools and accessory dwellings and would apply to varying species.

Energy and natural resources Find help answering energy and natural resource questions⁹

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

This is a nonproject action and no energy needs are anticipated.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

This is a nonproject action and will not affect the potential use of solar energy.

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any.

This is a nonproject action and there are no energy conservation features included.

⁹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-6-Energy-natural-resou

7. Environmental health

Health Find help with answering environmental health questions¹⁰

a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur because of this proposal? If so, describe.

This is a nonproject action and there are no known environmental health hazards that could occur as a result of this proposal.

1. Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

Unknown.

2. Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

This is a nonproject action and no hazardous chemicals or condition affect the project.

3. Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

This is a nonproject action and no hazardous chemicals because there is no construction or development as part of this approval.

4. Describe special emergency services that might be required.

This is a nonproject action and there is no projected need for additional special emergency services as part of this proposal.

5. Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.

N/A

b. Noise

1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

This is a nonproject action which will not generate noise.

2. What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site)?

This is a nonproject action which will no generate noise.

 $^{^{10}\} https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-7-Environmental-health$

3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

N/A

8. Land and shoreline use

Find help answering land and shoreline use questions¹¹

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.

N/A

b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses because of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?

N/A

1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how?

N/A

c. Describe any structures on the site.

N/A

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

N/A

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

The proposed amendments apply to all zoning districts within the city that permit pools and accessory dwellings.

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

The proposed amendments apply to all comprehensive plan designations within the city that permit pools and accessory dwellings.

- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

 N/A
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

The proposed amendments are for all areas within the city that permit pools and accessory dwellings. Various critical areas exist in some of the applicable areas.

¹¹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-8-Land-shoreline-use

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

N/A

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any.

N/A

I. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any.

N/A

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

N/A

9. Housing

Find help answering housing questions¹²

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

This is a nonproject action and there are no proposed units for housing.

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

None.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

N/A

10. Aesthetics

Find help answering aesthetics questions¹³

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

This is a nonproject action and there are no proposed structures.

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

This is a nonproject action, no views will be obstructed.

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https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-9-Housing
 https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

N/A

11. Light and glare

Find help answering light and glare questions¹⁴

a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

N/A

b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

N/A

c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

N/A

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

N/A

12. Recreation

Find help answering recreation questions

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

The proposed code amendments apply to all areas in the city limits that permit pools and accessory dwelling units. There are many designated and informal recreational opportunities that are in the immediate vicinity of areas where pools and accessory dwelling units are permitted.

Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.
 No.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

There are no impacts on recreation caused by the amendments.

¹⁴ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-11-Light-glare

13. Historic and cultural preservation

Find help answering historic and cultural preservation questions¹⁵

a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers? If so, specifically describe.

N/A

b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.

N/A

c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.

N/A

d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.

N/A

14. Transportation

Find help with answering transportation questions¹⁶

a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

N/A

b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

N/A

c. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).

N/A

https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-13-Historic-cultural-phtps://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-14-Transportation

d. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

N/A

e. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

N/A

f. Will the proposal interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.

N/A

g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

N/A

15. Public services

Find help answering public service questions¹⁷

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

No

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

None

16. Utilities

Find help answering utilities questions¹⁸

a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other:

The proposed amendments apply to all areas within the city that permit pools and accessory dwellings. All of the listed utilizes are available at some point in the affected areas.

b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

None

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¹⁷ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-15-public-services ¹⁸ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-16-utilities

C.Signature

Find help about who should sign¹⁹

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Type name of signee: Curtis M Lillquist, AICP

Position and agency/organization: Community Development Director, City of East Wenatchee

Date submitted: Oct 5, 2023

D.Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions

Find help for the nonproject actions worksheet²⁰

Do not use this section for project actions.

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

The proposed amendments are not likely to create a situation that increases discharge to water, emission to air, toxic or hazardous substances or noise production.

- Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:
 None
- 2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

The proposal amends sections of code that are not likely to impact plants, fish, animals or marine life.

¹⁹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-C-Signature

https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-d-non-project-actions

- Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:
 None
- 3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

The proposed amendments will facilitate the construction of accessory dwellings which will use energy.

- Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:
 The design of accessory dwellings approved for construction must meet the Washington State Energy Code prior to approval.
- 4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

The proposal amends section of code that are not anticipated to affect environmentally sensitive areas are areas designated for governmental protection. Critical or shoreline area regulations still apply and would govern to require protections.

- Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:
 None.
- 5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

The proposal is not anticipated to allow or encourage uses incompatible with existing plans.

- Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:
 None.
- 6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

The proposal related to accessory dwelling units could possibly increase demands to transportation, public services and utilities to a minimal degree. During a permit application review any impacts that would reduce service levels below minimum acceptable levels would require infrastructure upgrade concurrent with the development proposal.

- Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:
 None.
- 7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

The proposed amendment to the pool fencing requirements is intended to remove a conflict between the zoning code and the International Pool Code.